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To: Members of the Senate Fish and Game Committee

Chairman Tropila and members of the committee:

Thank you again for your past support of the Little Shell people. I would like to encourage you to vote for H.B. 284. For decades now the Little Shell people have struggled to achieve the recognition that we and those that know the facts, know should have been granted long ago. Governor Schweitzer granted the Little Shell people state recognition last year and the amended language in H.B. 284 will allow us to negotiate with Fish, Wildlife, and Parks department in conjunction with the Governors office to hopefully reach an agreement that could result in land that the Little Shell people can call their own and will be beneficial to both the Little Shell Tribe and the State of Montana. Your support for this bill will be greatly appreciated.

Signed,

John Sinclair

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